



Center for the Book Announces Author Talk Series

The South Carolina State Library's Center for the Book is pleased to announce its upcoming author line up for the Speaker @ the Center series.

Thursday, September 25 – Richard Dwight Porcher, Jr., and William Robert Judd. *The Market Preparation of Carolina Rice: An Illustrated History of Innovations in the Lowcountry Rice Kingdom*. The first book to illustrate and describe the implements and machines used to prepare Carolina rice for overseas markets. Published by USC Press.

Tuesday, October 14 – Jack Shuler. *The Thirteenth Turn: A History of the Noose*. A courageous and searching book that reminds us where we come from, and what is lost if we forget. Published by PublicAffairs, member of the Perseus Books Group.

Thursday, November 13– Rachel Haynie. *First, You Explore: The Story of the Young Charles Townes*. An inspirational biography of the Nobel Prize-winning inventor of the laser. Published by USC Press.

Thursday, December 4– John Warley. *A Southern Girl*. The worlds of privilege and poverty collide in this moving tale of adoption,



identity, belonging, dedication, and love. Published by USC Press.

Thursday, January 15– John Mark Sibley-Jones. *By the Red Glare*. A Civil War novel of divergent lives and pervasive perils amid the burning of Columbia, South Carolina. Published by USC Press.

Books will be available for purchase and signing. All programs will take place from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the South Carolina State Library located at 1500 Senate St., Columbia. Speaker @ the Center is FREE and open to the public. Feel free to bring your lunch.

The South Carolina Center for the Book (readsc.org) is the South Carolina Affiliate of the Library of Congress Center for the Book and is a cooperative project of the South Carolina State Library, the University of South Carolina School of Library and Information Science, and The Humanities Council^{SC}.

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Free Webinars Offered in September and October

The popular webinar series, **South Carolina State Government: Bit by Bit** continues with two webinars scheduled for September and October 2014. The free webinar series takes a look into the websites of our state's government agencies to find unique and useful information about South Carolina.

Kids Pages – Friday, September 12, 11:00 a.m. – noon. This session will delve into websites by several state agencies specifically designed for students and young users. Some websites have been revised recently

to align to curriculum standards. This is a great session for educators and library staff members.

Registration: <http://bit.ly/1lgAGOI>

Services and Special Needs – Wednesday, October 15, 11:00 a.m. – noon. This session will take a look at South Carolina websites that have statewide services for individuals with special needs or conditions, such as emotional, mental or physical challenges, foster homes and adoption, or vocational rehabilitation.

Registration: <http://bit.ly/1ptVGp7>



For questions about the webinars, please contact Elaine Sandberg, Information Services Librarian at 803-734-8625 or

esandberg@statelibrary.sc.gov.

Ebrary Ebooks Collection



Have you visited our ebooks collection? Available to all State Library card holders,

Ebrary is an instant, multidisciplinary collection of ebooks from authoritative publishers with a strong emphasis on titles essential for research. For more information, please visit <http://bit.ly/1qNx9dC>.

Check out the DayByDaySC Family Literacy Calendar

Libraries are essential to Family Literacy. In South Carolina, libraries bridge the gap for those who may not have access to resources for a variety of reasons. Libraries educate the whole family by providing computer and internet access, materials such as books and music, access to health information to help them lead healthier lives, and interaction with staff that are skilled in programming to engage young children to learn. We feel it is important to reinforce the positive messages of agencies that also work to better the lives of South Carolinians. We want families to take pride in the offerings of their state whether it is participating in story time at their community's library, going to the local watermelon festival, accessing local healthy foods, getting immunizations and health checkups, or participating in a wide variety of other opportunities in support of health, wellness and literacy. Learn more at <http://daybydaysc.org>.



ILEAD USA Coming to South Carolina

In 2009, the Illinois State Library received a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services to create ILEAD (Innovative Librarians Explore, Apply and Discover) USA, a new kind of leadership initiative that allows teams of library employees from all types of libraries to enhance their communities with technology. The South Carolina State Library will be joining the initiative in 2015, and is looking for dynamic representatives from South Carolina libraries to participate.

ILEAD USA sessions for South Carolina will begin February 2015, and run through October 2015. The program will also require attendance

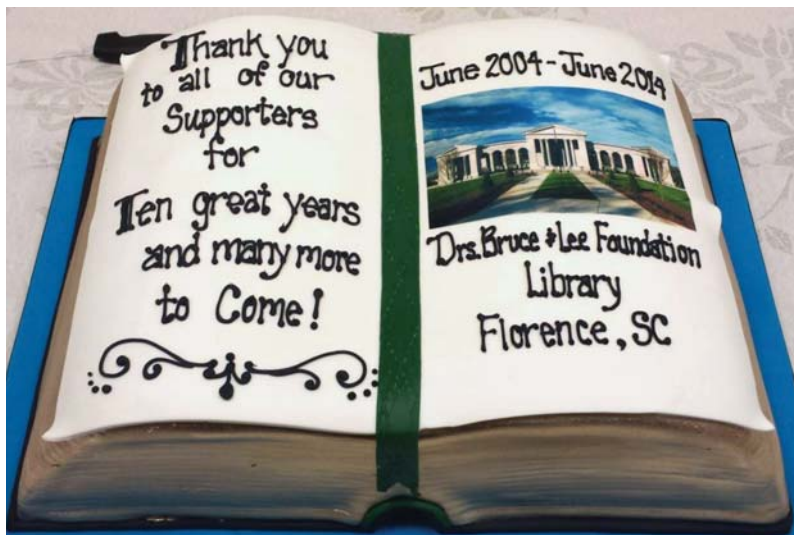


at four-day in-person sessions in March, June and October for a total of 12 days of on-site training in Columbia.

Interested in learning more? Keep an eye out for an informational session at

the upcoming South Carolina Library Association conference in October or contact Kristi Sligh, Continuing Education Consultant, South Carolina State Library, at 803-734-8663 or ksligh@statelibrary.sc.gov.

Florence Library Celebrates 10 Years



The Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Library in Florence, SC, recently commemorated its tenth anniversary. Members of the community joined library staff, board, Friends, and local leaders in a program celebrating the many positive changes that have taken place in Florence over

the last ten years.

The new headquarters library was the first major project in a partnership between the Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation, Florence County, the City of Florence, and other partners. In the ten years since, these partnerships have also resulted in a new community

theater, county museum, and a Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center on the same street as the library. The program focused on the central role that the library played in revitalizing downtown Florence.

Speakers at the event included Rev. Waymon Mumford and James T. Schofield from Florence County Council, Dr. Eddie Floyd from the Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation, Ray Reich from Florence Downtown Development, and Dr. Fred Carter from Francis Marion University. Also in attendance were many individuals whose contributions have been essential to making the Florence County Library system what it is today, including former library directors, members of Florence's legislative delegation, and architect David Dixon, who designed the new library and its branches.

Call for Nominations: 2015 National Medal for Museum and Library Service

For more than 20 years, the Institute of Museum and Library Services has recognized museums and libraries that make extraordinary contributions to their communities. The National Medal for Museum and Library Service is the nation's highest honor for exemplary service by these institutions. IMLS is now accepting nominations for the 2015 National Medal for Museum and Library Service. Nomination forms are due October 15, 2014.

All types of nonprofit libraries and library organizations, including academic, research, archives, school, special, library associations, and library consortia, are eligible to receive this honor. Public or private nonprofit museums of any discipline (including art, history, science and technology, children's, and natural history), as well as historic houses, nature centers, zoos, and botanical gardens, are eligible.

Winners are honored at a ceremony in Washington, D.C., host a two-day visit from StoryCorps to record community member stories, and receive positive press attention through a media campaign. Approximately thirty finalists are selected as part of the process and are featured by IMLS as part of a six-week social media and press campaign.

Winning the medal elevates an institution's profile and can positively impact fundraising, programming, and outreach activities, as noted by these past recipients:

Since receiving the National Medal in 2009, Braille Institute's Library Services has been able to raise its profile in the community via our website, Summer Reading, and annual Open House programs. The National Medal allowed us to invite notable guests--including well known actresses, authors, and narrators--to participate in our annual Library Open House programs. —Dr. Henry C. Chang, Braille Institute Library Services, Los Angeles, CA

The recognition we received along with the National Medal gave us that credibility as a nationally recognized museum, and catapulted us into a category alongside so many other respected cultural venues. The recognition for us on a national level trickled down to the regional and local levels, and the community has really caught notice. —Carolyn Eller, Erie Art Museum, Erie, PA, a 2011 winner

The Flint Public Library was deeply honored to receive the National Medal for Museum and Library Service in 2004. Our achievement opened the door to have conversations



with community members and also with major funders regarding the significance of the award and, more importantly, the importance of the community-based programming that led to the award in the first place. —Kay Schwartz, Flint Public Library, Flint, MI

Anyone may nominate a museum or library for this honor, and institutions may self-nominate. For the nomination form and more information click [here](#) or reach out to one of the following contacts.

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Program Contact for Libraries:
Katie Murray, Staff Assistant, 202-653-4644, kmurray@imls.gov.

EdVenture Visits Lee County Public Library

*By Elizabeth Snyder-Powell,
Outreach & PR, Lee County Public
Library*

What do you get when you take a bunch of children to the Lee State Park on a glorious day? You have a great kick off for the Lee County Library's 2014 Summer Reading Program. Last month, Brenda and I took our readers out to the park to see a presentation put on by Edventure Children's Museum in Columbia. Our educator, Mrs. Elena, was wonderful and presented a program called "Garbology."



Funded by a grant from the South Carolina State Library and the Institute of Museum and Library Services, Elena walked us through various stages of soil production and how our behavior can influence our world.

We reviewed good garbage (recycleable) bad garbage (electronics, not reusable, etc.) and no garbage (compostable). She interacted with the youngsters to help identify each and answer their questions about each category. Then she rolled out the star of

the show: "Garbagenia." This life-like muppet-type doll lives in a composting bin and is full of various forms of garbage. The youngsters were invited to reach in her tummy and pull out what they found. As the items emerged they were identified and then arranged in each category.

At the end of Elena's presentation Ranger Laura Kirk showed us some of the projects she conducts at the park using recycled material. Everyone had a wonderful time; and learned something too!!

The parents and the kids then went around and explored the park. What a little jewel here in Lee County!

Brenda, Laura and I served a lunch of hot dogs, chips and roasted marshmallows. Then it was off to the swimming hole. They all had such a great time in the water and it was a perfect day for it given the 94 degree temperatures. Finally the day was over and we all headed home a little more aware and considerably more tired.

Special thanks to all our partners: EdVenture, South Carolina State Library, Lee State Park and Recreational Area, Coke, Friends of the Lee County Library and especially our biggest partner – the parents.

The library ladies would like to welcome our newest neighbor,



Scoops Ice Cream Shop. We are always happy to see new merchants on Main Street. We went over to visit and while speaking to the owner, Griselda Wilson, we asked if she would be interested in hosting our summer reading closing party. We got an enthusiastic "Yes!"

So for our final program on August 1st we headed back to the Lee State Park to visit Ranger Laura Kirk and then had a wonderful visit to Scoops. What a fun way to wrap up the 2014 Summer Reading Program.

For more information, please contact Elizabeth Snyder-Powell at leecolibrary@gmail.com.



Summer Reading Around the State



to view more summer reading photos
from public libraries across the state,
please visit <http://bit.ly/1pAEwWS>.

New Children's Book Highlights Rock Hill's Friendship Nine

The Friendship 9, a group of African American college students and activists in Rock Hill, South Carolina, claimed a rightful place in history by challenging inequality and unfair laws.

In 1961, their decision to help place into motion the Jail, No Bail strategy empowered communities. As we continue to learn from our struggles and most importantly create a world free of racism and social injustice, we will inspire our future generations to do the same.

Children's Author, Kimberly P. Johnson has written this powerful story to encourage youth to read and understand more in-depth information about that pivotal part of South Carolina history.

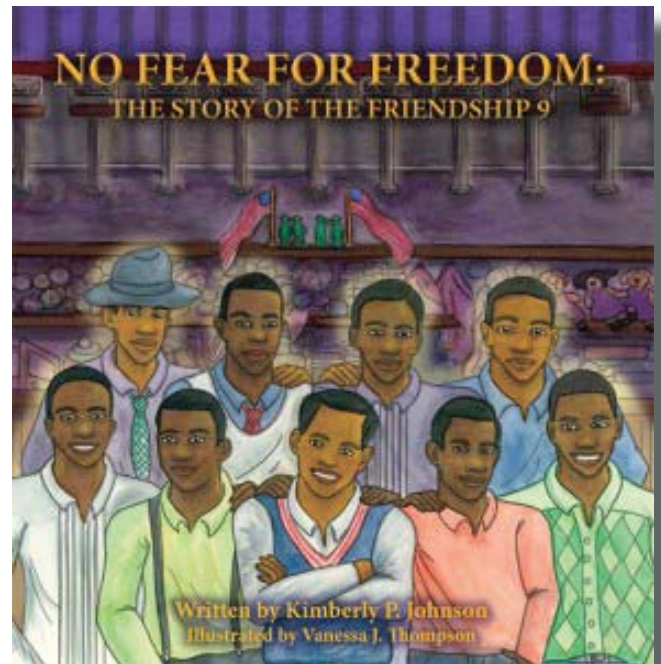
No Fear for Freedom: The Story of the Friendship 9 is told in a way that multi-level readers can engage in the message. The main pages of the book tell the story in rhyme for children, while columns on the side go into more detail. The book explains why the Friendship Nine's sit-in was important to the Civil Rights Movement. It was the first time any of

those arrested refused to pay the fine. Instead, they took the prison sentence and their bravery shifted the Movement.

The Friendship 9 made a bold statement in 1961, but their nonviolent efforts didn't end after their historic 30 days in jail.

Today, they tell their story hoping that they inspire young people to have that same audacity and passion for Human Rights and Social Justice. The icons of the Movement will never be forgotten. However, we must also make sure that the work of other activists will be remembered too.

They were ordinary people who fought against discrimination and prejudice. Unfortunately, they may never find their names in a history book, on a display board or in a museum. Our communities must discover these amazing citizens and honor them.



Bernice King, daughter of Martin Luther King, Jr. states in the forward of this book, "The story of these unsung heroes is a great example of the courage exemplified by the young people of the 1960's Movement era. Their (Friendship 9) actions were not just about seeking change in discriminatory practices against them, but to make things better for the generations that would follow them."

For more information, please visit <http://www.friendship9.org>.



Rock Hill sitdowners will not quit

ROCK HILL, S.C. — The Friendship college "We're not quitting. If they think they can beat or frighten us into submitting to the evils of racial discrimination, they'll find they're wrong."

This was how a spokesman for the sitdown movement here summed up the situation, last week end.

Reference was to the arrest last week of five Friendship College students. four

students found not guilty are Macie Giles, Patsy Sampson and Thelma Davis.

The fourth girl, Jacqueline Horry, was convicted of the charge and fined \$30. The case is being appealed. Bail was set at \$100.

Willie Massy, one of the 13 students who recently served a 30-day road gang sentence for sitdown dem-



Register online by
August 25th at
www.scla.org

Registration Fee:
\$10 SCLA members;
\$15 Non-SCLA Members



Mrs. Joyce
Durant
&
Mrs. Linda Becote



Mr. Timothy Brown
&
Mrs. Yvonne G. Davis



Mr. Jason Broughton

The South Carolina Library Association's
Roundtable For African-American Concerns
in partnership with the
FMU African-American Faculty and Staff Coalition
Presents

2014 RAAC Colloquium

Friday, August 29, 2014 9:30am -1:00pm

James A. Rogers Library
Francis Marion University

4822 E Palmetto Street Florence, SC 29506

Building an African-American Collection that Reflects the Diversity of the African-American Experience

Panel discussion led by Joyce Durant, Dean of the Library;
Linda Becote, former Head of Technical Services, FMU Retiree
James A. Rogers Library

Being Whole: Maintaining Health and Wellness to be Fit to Serve

Presented by Timothy Brown, RN and
Adjunct Clinical Professor, FMU;
Yvonne Davis Acquisitions Coordinator,
Rogers Library

Adjusting to Changing Landscapes at Your Library

Discussion facilitated by
Jason Broughton
South Carolina State Library
OC / GCDF / BESP

Outreach Coordinator/ Global Career Development Facilitator/
Business & Employer Services Professional

Upcoming Continuing Education Events

New to Discus? Start Here!

Thursday, August 21, 2014, 11:00 a.m. - noon.

If you're new to the South Carolina library community or just need some refresher information, this free online introductory session is for you. It provides an overview of South Carolina's Virtual Library: why it exists, the users it serves, how to access it, and a brief look at some of the most frequently-used electronic resources in the Discus collection. For South Carolina librarians, library staff, media specialists and other educators, and homeschooling parents. Free.

Register: <http://bit.ly/1ooBZeq>

Using Britannica Academic Edition

Thursday, August 21, 2014, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Join us to learn new ways to get students started on their projects using Britannica Online Academic Edition. During this 1-hour training webinar, participants will have their questions answered and learn about Britannica Online's special features, including: updated interface for easier searching; research tools to compare countries using demographic and economic statistics, including built-in graphing and charting tools; the Workspace storage tool; and much more! For Staff of South Carolina college and university libraries. Free.

Register: <http://bit.ly/1hRiWNV>

Using Britannica Library (Public Library Edition)

Thursday, August 21, 2014, noon. - 1:00 p.m.

Join us to learn ways to help both children and adults find answers to their questions and get started on projects, using the new Britannica Online Public Library Edition. Bring your questions and our expert Britannica trainer will be glad to answer them during this live presentation. Participants will learn about special features, including the General

Reference section and the "Kids" section with reference and educational materials for elementary and middle school students. For South Carolina public library staff. Free.

Register: <http://bit.ly/1nyztFn>

Exceptional Youth Programs Through Library and Museum Partnerships

Friday, September 5, 2014, 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Join the State Library at the Columbia Museum of Art for a day of learning about partnering with museums to bring exceptional programs for youth and families to your library. Cheryl Brown will lead a workshop on partnering with an outside organization covering what librarians can do for pre-program prep, week of the program, day of the program, extensions and after it's over. The Columbia Museum of Art will demonstrate its Richard's Realm art on the go program and teach attendees how to partner with them in the future. We will also have a session regarding museums around the state and which ones have travelling programs for your youth. Before the day is over we'll have a session on evaluations and making them better as well as covering upcoming grant opportunities at the State Library. Lunch will be provided. Presentations may cover a variety of topics such as collection development, acquisitions, workflows, and future trends. This Exchange will not cover collection development (purchase decisions) or budgeting; circulation, arrangement or housing of collections; preservation or digitization of materials. Cost: \$10. For library personnel in South Carolina public libraries.

Register: <http://bit.ly/1lwWF3U>

View more events and register online at statelibrary.sc.libcal.com

Discus - South Carolina's Virtual Library News and Updates

Kids InfoBits

Elementary schools will kick off the school year with the new Kids InfoBits, featuring a modern, inviting interface and improved navigation based on feedback from customers and student users. The new design helps kids explore the product and gain comfort with database searching.

Opposing Viewpoints In Context (OVIC)

Check out two new features in OVIC: article recommendation and EasyProxy. When a user reads a reference article, the article recommendation feature will suggest additional articles by way of linked keywords and phrases within the text. Selecting one of the keywords or phrases opens a small window containing links to the new content. The other new feature involves the bookmarking functionality. OVIC has long had the bookmark feature that allows users to easily share articles with others. Those who received and

used the bookmark, though, were often asked to login before the content would display. Now the EasyProxy feature automatically provides authentication, eliminating the need to login, and making bookmarks easier than ever to use!

LearningExpress Library

A major redesign has taken place with LearningExpress Library, the resource that provides South Carolinians with practice exams, tutorials, and ebooks on many vocational and academic topics, including the GED test.

Ferguson's Career Guidance Center

This resource now includes more than 2,200 graduate schools in the school search. The Sources page has also been updated to reflect the newest information in the database.

Using Britannica Learning Zone

Britannica Learning Zone is the interactive resource for early



childhood learners (ages 4-7). It teaches concepts that children are curious about, such as geography, numbers, colors, time, and sounds. For those who wish to use this product on devices that don't support Flash, Britannica recommends using the free Puffin web browser. It works well with the Learning Zone. Britannica is in the process of upgrading the Learning Zone content that requires Flash. In the meantime, though, you may want to try out the Learning Zone using Puffin! <http://bit.ly/US3QNg>

For more information, please contact Ruth Thompson, School Library and Training Consultant, South Carolina State Library at rthompson@statelibrary.sc.gov or 803-734-4627.

Submit Your Library's News

Do you have an interesting library-related story, event, or program that you would like to see in the next issue of *More*? Email it to crogers@statelibrary.sc.gov and please remember to include photos or images as separate files.

Hello and Goodbye...



The South Carolina State Library is pleased to welcome Jessica Cornish to the staff as Human Resources and Program Coordinator. Jessica has a Master's degree in Human Behavior & Conflict Management

with a concentration in research development. She previously worked for the South Carolina Human Affairs Commission, Office of Human Resources, Columbia Urban League and had an internship with the Lt. Governor's Office. We are excited for Jessica to join our team!

Faith Keller, Emerging Media and Outreach Librarian recently left the South Carolina State Library to become a part of the Francis Marion University James A. Rogers library staff. Faith worked at the State Library for 8 years and while at the library, completed her Masters in Library and Information Science at the University

of South Carolina. We wish her the best of luck in her new position!

Left: Jessica Cornish. Below: Jason Broughton, Faith Keller, Debbie Anderson.



South Carolina Talking Book Services Recording Added to National Catalog

A year ago, the South Carolina State Library's Talking Book Services Library was selected for a pilot program to post locally produced books on the BARD (Braille and Audio Reading Download) website.

This website allows registered patrons



from all over the country to download audio books that are recorded in state libraries for visually and physically handicapped persons.

In a letter to Talking Book Services, Karen Keninger, Director of the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped stated, "The posting of your book on BARD marks an important milestone in our effort to increase the quantity of materials available on BARD. Congratulations."

Recorded by volunteer narrator Kerry Stubbs (pictured left), our recording of Karen White's book, *The House on*

Tradd Street, met the strict recording guidelines.

We are pleased to say that since February, our recording has been downloaded 629 times! Kerry has already recorded the next three books in the Tradd Street series and South Carolina patrons are already listening to the books. Soon, they too will be on the national BARD site for everyone to enjoy.

For more information, please contact Naomi Bradey, Volunteer Coordinator, at nbradey@statelibrary.sc.gov or 803-734-4616.

Food for Thought - History of the Abbeville Garden Clubs

This past June, the Abbeville County Public Library hosted a program called The First Friday Food for Thought, which focused on the history of the Abbeville Garden Clubs.

Scrapbooks from the earliest organization of the Garden Clubs in Abbeville were on display and formally presented to the Abbeville County Library System by Mrs. Susan Milford, historian to the Abbeville Garden Council.

It was a lovely program and the library is thankful to all those who helped to make it a success!

For more information, please contact Mary Elizabeth Land, Director of the Abbeville County Library at director@abbevillecounty.org or 864-459-4009.



Learning from Library Field Trips



A great way to keep up with what's going on in libraries is to take library staff members on field trips. Learning from libraries and other organizations in your area and sharing ideas is always a beneficial experience.

On July 24, the staff of the Charles W. and Joan S. Coker Library-Information Technology Center were given tours at both the Southeastern Institute of Manufacturing and Technology (SiMT) and the Florence-Darlington Technical College library.

While touring the SiMT, library staff were able to witness multiple varieties of 3D printers and their creations, as well as, being immersed in exciting electronic 3D technologies.

Celebrate South Carolina Archives Month with SCAA in October



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The goal of South Carolina Archives Month is to inform the general public about the diverse array of archival materials held in repositories across the Palmetto State. Sponsored by the South Carolina Archival Association (SCAA), the theme and inspiration for South Carolina Archives month this year is the natural environment. All archival and documentary heritage repositories are invited to participate!

The events are a celebration of the work that we and our organizations do, but South Carolina Archives Month is also a time to raise public awareness. By holding exhibit openings, workshops, lectures, open houses, and other related events during October, South Carolina's archives and libraries can make a concerted effort to underscore the importance of our profession to our state's citizenry and public leaders.

From the mountains to the sea, the foothills and the Pee Dee, every region of South Carolina is home to natural beauty and environmental wonders.

When thinking about how you will participate in Archives Month, we urge you to think broadly!

Archivists and librarians are encouraged to curate exhibits or host lectures, open houses, and other events that highlight the landscape, conservation, flora, fauna, agriculture, management of natural resources, and outdoor recreation in South Carolina.

Some ideas for themed events/installations:

- South Carolina flora and fauna
- Gardening and landscaping
- Agriculture and land use
- Geology, geography, hydrology, and other earth sciences
- Natural disasters
- Hunting, fishing, and outdoor recreation
- Prominent South Carolinians involved in the natural sciences, such as biologists, botanists, and naturalists

Don't miss out on this opportunity to showcase a part of your collection! Please share information about your Archives Month event(s) with SCAA by emailing scarchivists@gmail.com and we will post it on our website and publicize via social media! Please put "archives month event" in your subject line.

To learn more about South Carolina Archives Month, please visit <http://bit.ly/1svbCc0>.

The SCAA's annual meeting will be held at Newberry College on October 10, 2014.



South Carolina Association of School Librarians Seeks Volunteers

Have you been looking for a way to get more involved or to give back? Help make the South Carolina Association of School Librarians the best it can be by volunteering to serve on one or more committees. Fill out the volunteer interest form today!

<http://svy.mk/1mjRp3W>



September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month

September is Library Card Sign-up Month - a time when the American Library Association and libraries across the country remind parents that a library card is the most important school supply of all.

The observance was launched in 1987 to meet the challenge of then Secretary of Education William J. Bennett who said: "Let's have a national campaign...every child should obtain a library card - and use it." Since then, thousands of public and school libraries join each fall in a national effort to ensure every child does just that.

Library cards are generally free to those living in the library's service area. In most cases, borrowing privileges are granted on the spot. Some libraries may require some form of identification, proof of residency or

the signature of a guardian.

Libraries play an important role in the education and development of children. Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning.

Librarians are literacy experts. Libraries offer a variety of programs to stimulate an interest in reading and learning. Preschool story hours expose young children to the joy of reading, while homework centers provide computers and assistance to older children after school. Summer reading clubs keep children reading during school vacation and have been shown to be the most important factor in avoiding the decrease in reading skills that educators refer to as "summer learning loss."

As our culture is shifting to a more active role in the creation of culture and information, today's libraries are finding new and innovative ways to extend their collections and services, providing access to a wide variety of

tools, both high-tech and low-tech, to empower their communities.

In addition to books, magazines, CDs and DVDs, computers, games, software and other multimedia materials, libraries increasing offer access to ebooks and ebook readers. Seventy-six percent of libraries offer access to ebooks, an increase of 9 percent from last year. Mobile devices, including ebook readers are available at 39 percent of libraries.

Today's public libraries are thriving technology hubs that millions rely on as their first or only choice for Internet access and digital content. Public libraries offer free classes and one-on-one instruction on technology, Internet and resource use. They help people start businesses, create resumes, search for jobs and apply for jobs online. Libraries help people connect with government and their communities, complete online forms and use online government services.

September is Library Card Sign-up Month. Visit your library to get involved.

The Smartest Card
GET IT. USE IT.
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Celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month in September

Technical Services Exchange Wrap-Up

By Kathy Sheppard, Library Development Consultant, South Carolina State Library

Thirty-six staff members from public library technical services departments around the state attended the new, revitalized Technical Services Exchange at the State Library on August 1. The excellent turnout was not a surprise as it had been some years since the last event. The group enthusiastically endorsed the resumption of the Exchange making it a certain annual event in future years.

Exchanges provide an opportunity for public library staff to discuss challenges in the work environment and ideas about practices and procedures, and to share news and present information about local activities.

The Exchange began with a presentation by USC-SLIS Asst. Professor Susan Rathbun-Grubb who spoke about new and upcoming trends in libraries that will impact Technical Services. Dr. R-G's list of the top five trends:

- Device neutral services – Providing library services and materials in all formats and across all platforms to meet user demands for access via all kinds of devices, all result in



new challenges for Tech Services operations.

- Data-driven decision-making – New ways of collecting information about patron needs and materials usage help inform library choices and acquisition of materials.
- Local Digitization Projects – As communities learn more about sharing stories through images, technical services staff gradually assume a greater role in the development of digital collections.
- Makerspaces and the library's role as a community center and a locus for creative thought and activity present new challenges in describing, packaging, circulating, and inventorying all kinds of equipment and materials.
- BIBFRAME (Bibliographic Framework Initiative) – It's time for another revolution in Cataloging! Stay tuned for a new look to the bib record over the next decade.

Also on the Exchange agenda were sales representatives from the two major library materials vendors, Ingram (pictured left) and Baker&Taylor (above right), to discuss trends and tools for acquisitions, processing, and collection development from the vendor perspective. Participants were given the opportunity to speak directly with vendors for an insider's understanding of the various programs offered in materials selection.

Nancy Dail from Richland Library reported on her staff's recent experience with BISAC (Book Industry Standards and Communications subject coding) implementation. This method of organizing materials by subject results in new labeling, shelving and display



techniques to better meet patron needs and preferences.

Participants from libraries around the state got to know each other better through table conversations and sharing of experiences and challenges. A lively tour of the State Library rounded out the day for those who had not visited the newly renovated facility.

Next steps: A LibGuide is being developed that will provide access to online resources useful to Technical Services personnel. A listserv for technical services staff is being revived so communication and discussion will be available to all. Technical services staff members who were not able to attend the Exchange are invited to send their contact information to Kathy Sheppard (ksheppard@statelibrary.sc.gov) for inclusion in the listserv.

Future Exchanges will be conducted annually and will bring more topics and trends forward for discussion and learning opportunities. Technical services staff members are encouraged to keep in touch with one another and with the State Library as we plan for next year's event.

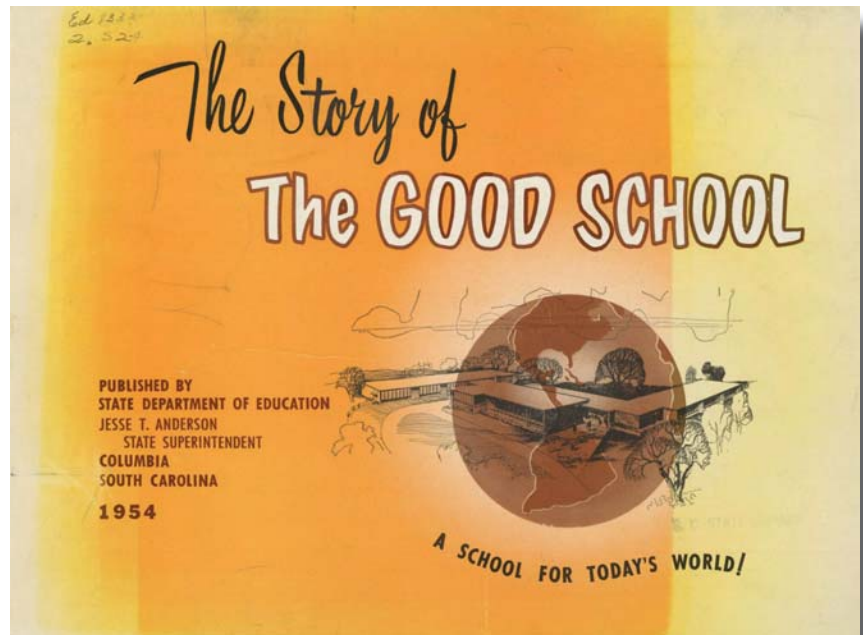
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State Department of Education Historical Documents

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